Purpose Group and Purpose Definitions

The following tables include the definitions for purposes and purpose groups. Purposes are defined as why the agency is investing. Purpose Groups are a more summarized version that groups several purposes together for ease in reporting.

Purpose Group Definitions

Purpose Group	Definition	
_No Purpose Group Assigned	The contract has not been assigned a primary purpose	
Administration	Support CTED programs and employees	
Climate Change	Reduce the impacts on the environment.	
Community Assistance	Provide services to improve financial stability, provide assistance and support to families in need as they strive for self-sufficiency, prevent and reduce homelessness, and provide services and support for health and safety.	
Community Development	Acquire, construct or renovate buildings, parks and recreation facilities	
Economic Development Services and Support	Recruit, retain, and expand business in Washington. Promote trade and tourism, Provide education and outreach.	
Growth Management	Assist and guide local governments, state agencies and others in planning and achieving effective solutions to manage growth and development, consistent with the Growth management Act (GMA)	
Housing	Develop and preserve affordable housing	

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Purpose Group	Purpose Name	Definition
Administration	Support CTED programs/employees	Administrative contracts
Climate Change	Address climate change	Assist cities and counties develop plans to mitigate potential impacts resulting from climate change and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Reduce the impacts of energy production and use on the environment.
Climate Change	Improve energy efficiency	Increase energy efficiency to reduce energy costs and consumption for consumers, businesses, and government.
Community Assistance	Assist households with energy needs	Provide energy assistance for low-income and/or other targeted households including cash grants to offset heating costs, furnace repair and replacement, and programs that support local innovation.
Community Assistance	Crime victim services	Deliver specific services to victims of crime in local communities statewide.
Community Assistance	Support community health and safety	Increase the health and safety of people in Washington State. Examples include programs that reduce gun crime and drug use, and assisting offenders re-enter communities.

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Community Assistance	Support families to self-sufficiency	Providing assistance and support to families and individuals as they strive for self-sufficiency
Community Assistance	Support food banks	Activities that support the distribution of food to the hungry
Community Development	Acquire, construct, and/or renovate community fac.	Acquire, construct, and renovate facilities that help improve the quality of life for state residents
Community Development	Community stabilization	Maintaining a fixed and stable business environment in a community in order to increase the economic output.
Community Development	Promote development in communities	Activities that promote development and neighborhood stabilization in communities throughout Washington State
Community Development	Support community planning	Priority community development and capacity building plans of local government that principally benefit lowand moderate-income persons
Economic Development Services and Support	Create new green economy jobs	Increase the number of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and smart energy business and jobs in the state.
Economic Development Services and Support	Create new jobs	Any project that creates new jobs for a county, city or region
Economic Development Services and Support	Encourage economic dev. & build economic capacity	Identify new economic opportunities consistent with community assets, resources and, and facilities throughout the state in areas such as education, health, business, and infrastructure
Economic Development Services and Support	Environmental improvements	Any project that allows for improvement in water quality, supply, wastewater treatment, conservation, etc. Some examples include increase water use efficiency, increase amount of recycled materials processed and restoration of shellfish bed.
Economic Development Services and Support	Expand companies	Assist companies which have been in business in the county for at least one year and which need to or want to expand to increase their business.
Economic Development Services and Support	Increase trade	Promote services related to export promotion of Washington products and services and foreign direct investment.
Economic Development Services and Support	Maintain & enhance natural resource industries	Maintain and enhance resource-based industries.
Economic Development Services and Support	Promote & increase tourism & tourism awareness	Award grants to local area organizations (defined as local governments, non-profit organizations, or federally recognized tribes) to support marketing activities that enhance tourism economic development to their city, region or area.

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Economic Development Services and Support	Recruit companies	Assist companies from outside the area and entice them to expand or relocate in Washington State for the purpose of securing new jobs and creating wealth in a community
Economic Development Services and Support	Retain jobs	Assist businesses, companies, etc. stay in business or reorganize which in turn retains the jobs for that company, business.
Economic Development Services and Support	Support small business	Support of small or beginning business either through technical assistance, referral or funding through the Small Business Development Center; Microenterprise Development Association, or Small Business Resource Centers.
Growth Management	Develop Public Facilities and Services	Assist communities' pre-planning efforts to ensure that adequate public facilities and services are provided for planned growth
Growth Management	Encourage citizen participation	Encourage citizen involvement in the planning process.
Growth Management	Encourage historic preservation	Identify and encourage preservation of historic sites.
Growth Management	Encourage open space and recreation	Encourage retention of open space and recreational areas.
Growth Management	Encourage urban growth	Encourage urban growth where facilities are adequate to meet service needs.
Growth Management	Issue and administer permits	Issue permits in a timely manner and administer them fairly
Growth Management	Protect property rights	Protect property from arbitrary decisions or discriminatory actions.
Growth Management	Protect shoreline through coordinated management	The goals and policies of the SMA are added as one of the goals of the GMA.
Growth Management	Reduce sprawl	Eliminate sprawling, low-density development that is expensive to deliver services to and is destructive to critical areas, and resource values.
Growth Management	Support planning to improve traffic/freight flow	Encourage safe, efficient, multimodal transportation; improve existing traffic flow by improving access and mobility upon project completion, reducing travel time
Growth Management	Support planning to increase health and safety	Increase the health and safety of people in Washington State. Project either ameliorates an existing health/safety threat, or prevents a threat from manifesting. Some examples include reduction/elimination of ground water contamination, addressing water/sewer permit violations, road/bridge improvement to reduce traffic accidents

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Housing	Develop affordable housing	Develop sustainable, affordable housing for low- income households including construction, acquisition, and rehabilitation of multi-family and single-family housing projects; housing needs studies; housing project compliance verification; housing project asset management, and technical assistance to housing developers and housing managers.
Housing	Preserve affordable housing	Preserve affordability of low-income housing through assisting displaced residents in maintaining home ownership, energy conservation investments (such as insulating attics, walls and floors; air sealing the home diagnostically modifying or replacing inefficient furnaces), health and safety actions (such as including indoor air quality, lead based paint accreditation and training in safe work practices), and other costeffective and necessary repairs and retrofits (such as roof repair or replacement, plumbing and electrical fixes, ramp placement etc.).
Housing	Prevent and reduce homelessness	Prevent and reduce homelessness by funding emergency shelters, longer-term transitional housing, permanent affordable housing (for individuals, families and special needs populations to move successfully into more stable affordable housing), rent assistance and supportive services (such as case management, employment counseling, job training, drug or alcohol treatment, and mental health counseling.